IN CONGRESS TO-DAY.

THE FIVE O'CLOCK ADJOURNMENT AGREEMENT RESCINDED.

Mr. Read Declares That it Was in the Interest of Filibusters-An Exciting Debate in the House-Mr. Payson on the Oklahoma Bill,

In the Senate to-day a concurrent resolution was introduced by Mr. Hoar, providing for a meeting of the House and Senate on February 1 to count the elec-

toral vote. A petition from the Legislative Assembly of Idaho was presented, protesting against the admission of Utah as a

Mr. Dawes introduced a bill providing for the allotment of separate reservations to the various tribes of Sioux Indians and the disposal of the remainder of the pres

ent reservation for settlement.
The Tariff bill was taken up and Mr. Allison offerred an amendment provid-ing for the payment of a bounty of one cent per pound on beet, cane and sor-glum sugar produced in the United States until April, 1900, the bounty to be paid out of duties collected on imported

HOUSE,

In the House to-day Mr. Randall, from the Committee on Rules, favorably reported the resolution rescinding the order made May 11 last session, providing for the adjournment of the House each day at 5 o'clock. Mr. Payson offered a resolution pro

viding for the recommittal of Mr. Ran-dall's resolution, with instructions to re-port as an amendment an order setting January 15 for the consideration of the Dependent Pension bill.
The Chair ruled Mr. Payson's amend-

ment out of order, whereupon he offered an amendment providing that the order shall not be in force on the first and third Mondays of each month, suspension days.

Mr Payson's amendment was lost by a

vote of 75 to 56, Mr. Reed and Mr. Cannon, members of the Committee on Rules, voting with the Democrats. In the debate which followed a motion for the previous question on the original resolution, Mr. Reed said he believed that the rule limiting the session to 5 o'clock is an invitation to filibuster. He heartily favored the rescinding of the order, and thus strengthening the arm of the majority of the House.

Mr. Reed alluded to a traffic which he

said the Democrats had recently con-cluded with a gentleman who had been obstructing legislation, and declared he would not support the bargain.

Mr. Payson denounced in no unmeas-

ured terms the bargain which he claimed had been made with Mr. Weaver, He then launched into a vigorous speech against the Oklahoma bill, pro-

nouncing it a scheme designed to benefit a few land-grabbing corporations. Mr. Randall declared there was not a semblance of truth in Mr. Pay son's allegation that a bargain had been made with the Com-mittee on Rules to allow the consideration of the Oaklahoma bill on the first suspension day. The Oaklahoma bill would come up as unfinished business

on that day.

The resolution rescinding the order providing for adjournment at 5 o'clock was agreed to. The Aqueduct Investigation.

Senator Faulkner said this morning that there would be another meeting of the Congressional Aqueduct Committee as soon as one or two witnesses could be called. The report will be presented next week.

He Favors the Richardson Bilt. Representative Stephen T. Hopkins of New York, who is said to be the most graceful dancer in the House, is heartily in favor of the bill to give the District a new city post-office building. He said to a Chritic reporter this morning that undoubtedly the Richardson bill was the best measure yet introduced, but he would vote for any bill that would give the Capital of the nation a much needed post-

Committee on Rules Report. The House Committee on Rules to-day held a meeting at 11:35 a. m., and directed Mr. Randall to report to the house a resolution rescinding the special order of the House providing for adjournment each day at 5 p. m

THE DISTRICT GOVERNMENT

The committee report was unanimous,

Captain James S. Lusk, who has charge of the Water Department, some time ago wrote Engineer Commissioner Raymond a letter urging unfavorable action on the proposed free water bill. He stated that if there was no rent charges for water there would be an increase in the amount of water wasted, and more inspectors would have to be employed. He made a other objections which have been heretofore printed in THE CRITIC When the Commissioners revised the bill last week some of the suggestions were adopted.

Pleased With the City.

Dr. Fisher, a prominent physician of Akron, O., and Mr. Kummer. editor of the Akron Reacon, with two other city councilmen, the city engineer and five members of the Citi-zens Committee are at the National Hotel for a few days, having come to investigate the merits of the street pavements here before adopting them at home. They express them-seives delighted with Washington and its ad-

vantages as a residence.

Heaping up His Offenses. William Lee, colored, was engaged in abus ing a woman at the corner of Thirteenth and Water streets and had just struck her when Officer Chamberlain attempted to arrest him. He then turned upon the officer and made sush a vigorous assault that the latter was obliged to use his club. In the Police Court this morning Lee was also charged with stealing coal from Johnson Bros. The Court imed a fine of \$15 or 45 days.

Both Sides Withdraw Charges. In the Equity Court to-day came up the case of Robert Morrison against Thomas Q. Hildeor Robert Morrison against Thomas Q. Hilde-brant to dissolve the law firm that has existed in their names and for the appointment of a receiver. Charges had been made on both sides, but it was announced in court that counsel had arrived at a settlement and that the charges on both sides were withdrawn.

Tried for Shooting Wenzel, Nelson Colbert was placed on trial for shoot-ing Philip Wenzel on October 3 in the Crim-inal Court this morning.

CITY NEWS PARAGRAPHS.

...The Independent Ice Company has re-ceived news that the Konnebec liver is open in unusual occurrence at this season of the

-Word has been received of the serious illness of Rev. C. D. Andrews, formerly rector of Christ Church, East Washington, and now a resident of Minneapolis.

—At a meeting of the Army Nurses' Asso-clation on Saturday night resolutions of re-spect to the memory of the late Mrs. Cellia C. McKenna, who was a member of the association, were adopted.

—Georgetown College alumni will meet at the Law Department building to night for the purpose of appointing committees and making other arrangement for the celebration of the college's one hundredth anniversary.

THE COMMISSIONERSHIP.

Mr. Webb Benominated by the President This Afternoon

Commissioner William B. Webb's term of office expired yesterday, and to-day panion, sat in the ladies' waiting-room he is a hold-over Commissioner, but of the Bultimore & Ohio Depot to-day with the same authority as heretofore, waiting for train time. The fellow, and under the law he can continue to whom everybody who has traveled act until his successor is appointed.

There was a rumor on the street that

he had heard something from the White House favorable to his reappointment, but he stated to a Carrie reporter this afternoon that he was in possession of no information relative to his reappoint-

When asked to-day about the appointment of Commissioner Webb's successor, Colonel Dan Lamont looked at The Cutric reporter in a dazed sort of way and with a merry twinkle in his left op-tic said: "I don't know anything about the matter." It is understood that Webb may remain until Harrison comes in. This afternoon the President sent to the Senate the nomination of Mr. Webb

to be a Commissioner of the District, THE DANENHOWER ASSESSMENT.

Justice Montgomery Delivers the Opin ion of the Court,

Judge Montgomery to-day delivered the opinion of the Court in the case of Danenhower against the District of Columbia. Danenhower had asked the Court to set aside and quash an alleged revised assessment on his lot. Through an error his lot was assessed for a much smaller sum than it should have been and an act allowing revision having been passed, the authorities later sent him a bill for an increased amount, as it should originally have stood.

The question was whether this attempt

at revision could be sustained. Court said there was nothing in the case to indicate that the petitioner had in thirty-six days after the approval of the act (as provided in the act) complained of the assessment as laid—naturally he would not complain of a smaller assessment. The attempt was not a revision, it was an attempt to levy a new assess

The assessment was quashed in the case of Windsor and Ford against the District. In the case of Schneider vs. the District the same action was taken, Chief Justice Bingham stating in his opinion that the Commissioners could not include items not in the original assessment as matters of original cost. They could assess for nothing except what was embraced in the contract between the parties. The assessments were also quashed in the cases of Bates against viciously, yelli the District and Johnson against the Disman in town."

RUFFLED HIS DIGNITY.

A Man Who Imagined Himself the President-Elect Arrested. Valentine Ward, a white man, about

60 years of age, was arrested this morning in the neighborhood of the National Hotel by Officer Jordan for vagrancy.
In the Police Court this morning Mr. Ward stated that he was the President elect of the United States and was elected rom California. He left that State about two months ago, having resigned his position of collector of customs at the

port of San Francisco to accept the more lucrative and dignified position to which he had been elected.

He walked most of the way, but he is fond of the exercise and the weather has been exceptionally pleasant. When arrested, Mr. Ward was on his way to the Capitol to take the oath of office, and was a trifle annoyed that his important business should be delayed in this degrading fashion, but he expected the officer to \$32,000. accompany him to the White House to

induction to the high office to which he had been called The Court gave him ninety days for vagrancy, a sentence which the poor old did not seem to understand or realize but he will undoubtedly enjoy his residence for the next three months far more than he would the atmosphere of the White House with all its trials and tribulations.

LATE DEPARTMENT NEWS.

Bonds were offered to-day as follows: 4s, \$40,000, coupons, 128‡; 44s, \$25,000, \$8,000 and \$3,000 at 108‡.

The Secretary of the Treasury has an pointed the following storekeepers and guagers: Calvin Cramer, Peoria, County, Ill.; Edward J. Heimbaeh, St. Paul, Minn., and Hugh Karins, Carrollton, Ky.

The President's reception was largely attended this afternoon. A number of Virginians were among those who shook

The President to-day made the following appointments in the District of Co-William J. Simmons Second Lieutenant

Company A, Battalion of infantry; Elbert G, Benson, Captain Compkny A. Third Battalion of Infantay, and Frank Boston Inspector of Rills Practice with rank of first ligurenant, Seventh Britalion of Infantry.

Taken the Charter Name.

The Young Woman's Christian Home was chartered by Congress nearly two years ago and thus far has been kept up by donations from our citizens. The trustees in the by-laws conferred on it the name of the Wilkinson Home, out of compliment to its founder, Mrs. Wilkinson, as was published at the time. Feel-ing that this may convey the impression to some that it is a private charitable institution instead of a public one, the trustees have, at the request of Mrs. Wilkinson, expunged the name Wilkinson Home from the by-laws, so that it will hereafter be known only by its chartered name. An appeal has been made to chartered name. An appeal has been made Congress for an appropriation in its behalf.

Another Washington Boy to the Front. Another Washington boy has lent his talents to adorn the mystic space behind the footlights. Mr. James Lackey, who has achieved much distinction in local amateur circles, has much distinction in local amateur circles, has accepted an offer to play comedy parts with the Duff Opera Company. His performance of Lorenzo in a recent amateur presentation of the "Mascot" attracted the attention of prominent local musicians, and it was in this way that his introduction to the Duff people was effected. There is every reason to believe effected. There is every reason to believe that he will realize the glowing expectations of many friends who are interested in his

National Fair Association.

The annual meeting of the National Fair Association took place to-day at its rooms in the sociation took place to day at its rooms in the Vernon Building. The annual report was adopted, which showed the association to be in a flourishing condition, and the following tellers were appointed: M. I. Weller, Andrew Archer, P. H. Christman, Mont. Strickland, And the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Directors—Joseph C. McKilben, James S. Edwards, James L. Barbour, John F. Olmstead, Reuben F. Baker, W. S. Hoge, Robert Beall, W. E. Clark, Talbot C. Murray, James Lansburgh, George R. Repetti. For treasures—O. T. Thompson. The directors will meet later and elect their of-

Marriage Licenses.

Joseph Tyler and Hester Chatham; Samuel C. Wheeler and Marie V. Dorsey; Wur. E. Cor-bin, city, and Annie S. Paddecard, Harris-burg Ps.

Thandisky trust has a big fight on its ber Bro. at it is not likely that it will byke

SOMETHING OF TOWN TALK ALEXANDRIA WHITE CAPS

What Women Can Do.
The usual crowd of ladies and children, with here and there a male com-VIGILANTES.

knows, he of the loud mouth and va-cant mind, combined with monumental cheek and brazen impadence, entered, and, to a submissive-looking little

woman, who accompanied him, said, in a voice loud enough to fill the room:
"I have looked thoroughly into this question of enfranchising women, and I cannot see one good reason why it should

By this time all eyes and ears were directed toward him, and he seemed to like it, for he turned loward an elderly

ally who wore the peculiar garb of the "Friends" or "Quakers," and continued: "A woman cannot sift the wheat from the chaff in the questions of great politi-cal importance. She cannot mix among men of brains and take part in the dis cussion of the country's welfare; she can-

The elderly Quaker lady here held up her hand in a memoring way, and when he stopped she said slowly, and with em-

phasis on every word: "I'll tell thee what she can do. She can come into a public place and not make a disagreeable ass of herself while

His gall was pierced and he slunk

When Blaine Was Speaker. He was on the rear platform of an Avenue car, going up, this morning, and in common with the rest of mankind was disgusted with the filibustering tactics pair of cross-bones and a parting threat. disgusted with the fillbustering tactics of General Weaver.

"It is a pity that one man can clog the wheels of Government and keep two hundred men idle in spite of themselves. Give me the good old days when James G. Blaine of Maine was Speaker."

The car was slowing up, and the con-ductor requested him to come up off the step and let the ladies pass out. out answering the conductor, he con-

"Why, gentlemen, Weaver's picayune tactics would have no more effect on James G. Blaine of Maine than stepping off this car has on me."

He stepped down with his back to the driver, and as the car was moving briskly yet, he turned three back handsprings, executed the Boston Dip and the Saratogo Glide, and scooped up a mouthful of Ave nue mud. When he could, he jumped to his feet and punched at the atmosphere viciously, yelling: "I kin lick any Weaver

The peals of laughter of those on th now receding car called him to his senses, and he made a dive for the seclusion of a neighboring saloon.

An Account of the Celebrated Case of Samuel Strong.

The case of Samuel Strong against the District of Columbia, settled by arbitration, as reported in Saturday's CRITIC. has occupied the attention of the courts and other tribunals for fifteen years and 000 to a quarter of a million were given him. The proceedings began in court in 1874. This suit was withdrawn and he went before the Board of Audit for settlement and got an award of \$10,000 or thereabout. A certificate for this amount was paid into the registery of the court to meet the claims filed against it by attorneys, sub-contractors and laborers. Ha objected to the amount of the award and re-entered suit in court, and it was referred to Eugene Carusi as

The District accepted and the case was tried before Judge Humphreys, Counented. This was set aside by the Court plaintiff was defeated. He then took reached. A board of referees, of which the thick, sticky molasses several hand-W. Penn Clark was president, next at fuls of flour were thrown in his face and empted to fix the amount that should be said to the claimant and they set it

lown at something like \$230,000. The District excepted again, and, as a last resort, Mr. Strong went before Congress, where a resolution was adopted referring the claim to another board of ar pitration, who gave the award presented in THE CRITIC on Saturday. Dunnivan, a clerk in the Auditor's Ofice of the District, has been employed in the case since its beginning as an expert and rendered excellent service for the District, and it has been said that out for his work the award would in all ikelihood have been much larger.

DISTURBED THE MEETING.

Four Boys in the Police Court for Annoying a Temperance Orator. Albert Shumaker has been conducting emperance meetings in Tenleytown for the past two years and has been considerably annoyed recently by the conduct of some boys who persisted in disorderly actions. Mr. Shumaker finally determined to have them arrested, and his morning in the Police Court Jin Queen, William Lindver, Joseph Porr and William Walker were arraigned. Judge Miller took their personal bonds to keep the peace after administering a

Train Wrecking Attempted.

An attempt was made Saturday night to wreck a Piedmont Air Line train of two coaches and a sleeper on its way to this city, Atlanta at 6:15 Saturday exening. In the mountains between Tugalo and Westminster the road passes over a high treatle spanning a rocky ravine. An oak crossile had been placed upright between the rails on this trestle and a couple of big stones on each ent of it. When the train struck the obstruction the passengers were thrown from their scats, but the crossile broke and the train did not leave the rails. But for the high speed of the train a very serious accident would have re-

The Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, which has been in existence for a year past, has just secured rooms at 906 F street, to be converted into permanent quarters. The rooms are large and beautifully lighted and will be at once furnished in a man-ner befitting the social status of the members, A library and all the publications bearing on the art will be features; and all the new wrin-kies of club life will be accepted and used, ex-cluding anything not calculated to advance the artistic interests of the members.

The officers are J. L. Smithmeyer, president;
W. M. Poindexter, vice-president; Glean
Brown, secretary; C. A. Didden, treasurer.

A Raid on the Crappers.

"Crap shooters" were enjoying themselves in Shepherd's Lane yesterday when Officer Ferguson appeared and rudely interrupted their pleasure. Sam. Sullivan, the leader of the gung, was arrested and in the Police Court this morning was given \$5 or thirty days.

THE OLD TOWN STARTLED BY THE

They do not String Men up to Trees, but They Cause a Deal of Terror Among the Residents of the Place.

There are White Caps in Alexandria. The idea of so modern a thing asWhite Caps in the old burg is funny, very funny.

And the funniest part of it all is the fact that there are White Caps there. Real live nineteenth century White

A couple of weeks or perhaps a month ago the organization was formed and it has grown rapiflly and now if an Alexandrian sees a man with anything that looks like a white cap on his head after 9 o'clock at night he runs.

They are not fearsome, either, these White Caps aren't. They send their blood-curdling letters to policemen as well as to any one else.

One policeman got two of them.
One of them is written in blue ink and bluer chirography, and was sent him by mail. It reads:

On the other side of the half-sheet of letter paper on which it was written is a

HE RECEIVED A WARNING. An old man living at the lower end of Pitt street was the recipient of a threatening letter, scrawled in red, red blood.

It read as follows: ALEXANDRIA, January 6, '89. Mr. ELIJAR HUTCHINSON: You have got to stop abusing yore family and beating yore wife. And you had better give those orfan children theyre rights or the WHITE CAPS will make you wish you had. Captain of the W. C.

Mr. Hutchinson's wife has been dead some years, and so he thinks that his letter, written in blood, was the work of some boys and that he has no cause for

BURIED UP TO HIS WAIST. A man, whose name could not be ascertained, was taken out a couple of miles into the country last week and buried in the ground up to his waist. The earth was packed tightly around him, and it took about an hour for the people, who found him the next morning, to dig him out. He had always been a shiftless sort of a man, and did odd jobs about saloons for his living and drinks. Since the White Caps' visit he has gone to work, and bids fair to become respectable. The reason his name could not be found out is an odd one.

THE GENERAL SENTIMENT. Henry Posey, the driver of the Columawards and judgments varying from \$10,- bia fire engine, voices the general sentiment. The truth of the matter is the Alexandrians are scared, "I don't want to talk too much about this busi ness," said Mr. Posey when the reporter asked him where the man who was burned could be found, "because I don't want them to get after me." And there is not a man in Alexandria who will say that the White Caps are ruffians

or anything but good of them.

Of course there are lots of people who get letters and keep still about it. But there are a great many who don't. And the White Caps don't confine their op-

sel on both sides agreed not to try the case before him, but Colonel W. A. Cook, through strategy, succeeded in getting a verdict for Strong for about \$130,000. The District was not represented by a half dozen to try the selection of the street by a half dozen to try the same street b sented. This was set aside by the Court in General Term, and a retrial of the case was had before Judge Wylie in 1879. drawn over their heads and when two of This trial lasted several months and the | them held his hands the rest covered his face and head with molasses out of a tin his case to the Court of Claims, but bucket, applying it with a paint brush. withdrew it before a decision was After he was liberally besmeared with

> he was let go with a basso injunction to "go to work or git out of town."
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> But the most unpleasant thing the White Caps have done was last Tuesday

or Wednesday night. There is a married man in Alexandria who is too attentive by half to a woman who isn't his wife to suit the White Caps. About 2 o'clock in the morning the White Caps went to the house in which the unfortunate married man's inamorata lives, and, breaking into the lady's bedroom, found the faithless Benedict there.

After giving him time to put on his clothes they took him out and to a lum-ber yard near by and removing his trowers gave him thirty lashes, that the man has not been out of his own house since. This action is quite generally approved, and as the White Caps found such excellent evidence of his dereliction when they captured him their ac tion is not entirely undeserved.

THE WHITE CAPS MAKE A BLUNDER. Friday night Mr. Richard Walder, a well-known Alexandria merchant and a pillar in the Methodist Church, was stopped on South Royal street by four men with white caps concealing their features. They called him by not his own, but which Mr. Walder was too scared to understand, and told him he must close his relations with a married woman whose name he also failed to

"But." said Mr. Walder, "you have made a mistake. My name is Walder-Richard Walder."

The White Caps scrutinfized his face more closely, apologized, and, after beg-ging his pardon, let him go-which, by the way, Mr. Walder was willing to do and did. Alfred Coogan, a clever young man of

good family, got a letter signed "Captain of the White Caps," with a skull and crossbones appended in which he was admonished that if he didn't cease his attentions to so many young ladies he would get "9-30;" that is, a switch of nine lashes would be applied to his bare back thirty times.

As an earnest of their determination bundle of nine switches was left in the vestibule of his house on St. Asaph street with the letter. Mr. Coogan says he isn't afraid, but he goes home earlier wall half, anspicion now than he used to. Charley Reilly, a 15 year-old boy, also

received a letter signed by the White Caps, in which he was ordered to stop "running with the Hill boys," a gang of

body as long as my finger and the White Caps nearly killed the man before they got through with him."

Captain Webster, the head of the Alexandria police force, says that he has known of these outrages, but as the parties

white Caps for fear of unpleasant dis-closures he cannot do anything as yet.

"It has had a good effect already,
though," he said, this morning.

These people who have received visits
or letters from the White Caps stay at
home nights and the moral effect has
been something remarkable."

Who are the White Caps!

The Alexandrians are affaid to find
out because when the White Caps whip

out, because when the White Caps whip anyone they declare that any effort to discover their identity will be punished by a repetition of the chastimement.

QUITE AN EXCITEMENT.

What Followed the Blowing of a Whistle

An excited man stood in front of a restaurant on the south side of Pennsylvania avenue last evening, between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets, and blew a police whistle vigorously. Officers Galway and Harding rushed to the spot and to them the man stated that some one had robbed him and he pointed out a gentleman standing in the crowd as the culprit. Both the accuser and accused were taken to the station-house, where the latter easily proved his inno-

The affair caused considerable excitement among the people on the Avenue and a few moments later a fight was

A young man named Henry Emmer jumped in and knocked down two men, but before he could reach a third Officer Curtis put in an appearance and Emmer took to flight. The officer pursued him. At the corner of Ninth and E streets Emmer fell down and the officer tumbled over him, hurting his leg so severely that he will be unable to resume his duties for several days. Emmer forreited \$10

Meeting of School Trustees. The school trustees met Saturday night and adopted a new set of rules which differ but little from the old ones. It was decided not to

appoint any janttor for a school building that license from the Commissioners. It was decided to call the colored normal school the Normal School for the Seventh and Eighth Divisions, and it was decided that pupils for both schools should pass the same examination. It was suggested that superintendents be directed to laste an order prohibiting

tion. It was suggested that superintendents be directed to issue an order prohibiting teachers boxing pupil's ears. The lowest grade of teachers was abolished.

Some engravings presented by William J. Marsh were accepted and the following changes made among the teachers:

Appointments—H. H. Burroughs and J. E. Baker to class 2, and Miss E. E. Thomas to class I.

Promotions—R. L. Johns, from class 18 to Promotions—R. L. Johns, from class 18 to class 19; A. P. Johnson, class 12 to class 13; M. E. Stocket, class 11 to class 12; M. E. Tindle, class 9 to class 10; Miss F. J. Smith, class 11 to class 13; Miss M. B. Fisher, class 3 to class 14; Miss A. D. Brooks, class 2 to class 4, and E. G. Kimball, from class 19 to class 21.

An application from W. B. Evans for a third class cartificate was resulted.

third class certificate was granted. Inauguration Notes. General Warner, Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R., has written Department Com-mander Lincoln of this city that it is entirely proper for members of the G. A. R. who wish to take part in the Inauguration Ceremonies. The Executive Committee has approved the freworks contract with Detwieller & Street and the floral and ballroom decorations contracts with J. B. Neal and F. Aldrich, re-

spectively. The programmes are to be ready for the printer to-morrow. One hundred and ninety men from the M. S. Quay and J. Cooke, jr., clubs of Philadel-phia are going to be in the parade.

Up to Sunday fifty-seven military organizations had applied for places in line and thirty-seven been assigned to quarters. The Thompson-Houston Company of Bos ton have offered to furnish 1,000 incandescent electric lights free if the expense of putting up

the wires is defrayed. Major W. P. Handy and James R. Young have been appointed aides-de-camp by General Benver

General Benjamin F. Butler filed a bill in equity to-day against Sam. Strong, et al., for an order restraining the payment of the award by the arbitrators in Strong's suit against the District. The bill recites General Butler's employment by Strong in his suit, and in other matters, and claims an indebtedness to him of \$45,000. It asks that the award be not paid, that ong's indebtedness be ascertained and paynied. A restraining order returnable

January 21 was made. Investigating Architect Freret.

The Senate Committee in Architect Freret's case this morning examined Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Maynard and George O. Van Nests, both of whom described the methods in use in the office of the architect, and both agreed that the force there was insufficient. Mr. Van Nesta said it was a common practice for Government draughtsmen to work sutside of office hours when they could. Ad-

surned to call of chairman. Rev. Mr. Grimke Accepts The trustees of the Fifteenth Street Presby-

terian Church have received word from Rev Frank J. Grimke that he will accept the call to the pastorate of that church, and will arrive about the middle of February. Mr. Grimke was formerly the paster of this church. The Mysterious Club

The Mysterious Club, an organization com posed entirely of business men, and it numers 120 gentlemen, gave an oyster roast yesteriay at Young's farm, on the Potomac. A pleasant time was had and many oysters and jokes were cracked.

The Cigarette Eye.

Henry P. Hatcher, son of Florist J. C. Hatcher of Amsterdam, is sadiy afflicted by the excessive use of cigarettes. The smoke has affected the left eye to such an extent as to cause a serious inflamation. The eye is so McMartin, the well-known oculist, says that to effect a cure the eye will have to be taken out and the back of it scraped to remove a dark and blinding substance that has formed there. The disease is technically known as "cigarette eye." This case is a warning to all oung men not to smoke the deadly eigarette.

Palmer's Poetry. "No," said Senator Palmer, "I am not writing a novel. It is a poem. Not my epithalamium, but a song of rejoicing to comemorate my retirement from the Senate. I have got

the first verse done and the first line of the

second. People will swear that it is from Watts, but I wrote every word of it myseif,

"All ball, anspecious day That sees my soul's remase. And puts me on the prilgrim's way That leads to a lasting peace." Henry Simpson, the keeper of the county jail, says that he has known of these actions of the White Caps and he thinks something ought to be done to stop them.

"Why, Mr. —, the man who was taken out of bed and whipped in the lumber yard was horribly treated," said Jailor Simpson, "There are cuts on his likely he will do poetry himself."

"That's as far as I have got. I wrote that this afternoon when I was presiding over the Senate while Ingalls had gone to hunch, and the chair I hope to get the second verse finished. The Vice-President's desk is a first-class place to write both, or, a least, a sweet singer of Boston, Senator John P. Jones, Nevada; dent I presume I should come out a Tennyson of a Milton, or, a least, a sweet singer of Boston, Senator John P. Jones, Nevada; dent I presume I should come out a Tennyson of a Milton, or, a least, a sweet singer of Boston, Senator John P. Jones, Nevada; dent I presume I should come out a Tennyson of a Milton, or, a least, a sweet singer of Boston, Senator John P. Jones, Nevada; dent I presume I should come out a Tennyson of the R. Urmudo, secretary to the Duke de Dureal, and Chevalier F. Clamberlin's.

THE LANDTAG OPENED. Germany May Confidently Cherish the

Hope of Peace.
Bennin, Jan. 14.—The Landing was opened to day. In his opening speech who are abused refuse to prosecute the White Caps for fear of unpleasant dis-

during his recent visits to friendly sovereigns he was convinced that Germany might confidently cherish the hope of shown by the large increase in the savings banks.

Owing to the satisfactory condition of the country's finances, the government was enabled to reduce taxation. The Emperor announced several measures to be introduced in the Landtag. Among them were bills to further increase the emoluments of the clergy of all denominations, to improve the position of teachers of the national ele mentary schools, and to regulate the

Bills will also be introduced asking for the assignment of extraordinary resources for the purpose of further extending the railways and for money to re-lieve the sufferers by the floods of 1888. A measure will be introduced dealing with the general administration of Posen.

A SNUB SETTLED IT.

Why Colonel Rockwell Says That Blaine Will Not be in the Cabinet. New York, Jan. 14.—The Herald this morning has the following special from St. Paul, Minn.: Colonel Rockwell, Quartermaster of the Department of Dakota, who was lord high chamberlain of the Garfield administration, said to-

night that Blaine would certainly not get

a place in the Harrison Cabinet. "I know precisely what I am talking about," said the Colonel. "There are a couple of women in the case and they are no less distinguished women than Mrs. Blaine and Mrs. Har-When Blaine was Secretary of State I was present at a reception given by Mrs. Blaine at which the latter snubbed Mrs. Harrison and this settles it. Harrison will, no doubt, offer Blaine a foreign mission, but Mrs. Harrison will see that he is not in the Cabinet."

COLLISION ON THE "NYPANO."

Seven Persons Killed in an Accident This Morning. AKRON, O., Jan. 14.—The eastbound passenger train on the New York, Pennsylvania & Ohio Railroad collided with freight train at Tallmage early this morning. The passenger train had two sleepers, in which were many of the injured, some of them fatally. Physicians have gone from here.

A correct report of the wreck is as fol-Killed: Robert Huntington, engineer W. J. Thomas, baggage-master; W. L. Lundy, express messenger; Wallers, fireman; a little girl and two Chinamen, names unknown. The engineer and fireman of the freight train escaped with

slight injuries. RICHMOND'S DEFALCATION. The Late Collector Said to be Over \$100,-

000 Short. RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 14. - Grave rumors of a large defalcation in the office | 4883@4887 for demand. of the collector of the city, who recently died, were in circulation yesterday, the amount talked of being over \$100,000. So far the closest secrecy has been observed far the closest secrecy has been observed by the officials and clerks, but the truth is coming out. The bondsmen of the collector have had frequent meetings lately and a report of the condition of the office by an expert is looked for to-day.

The stock market opened irin, and was most appeared to the past. There was a steady buying of the leading stocks througout, and prices gradually advanced. At midday the improvement over Saturday's prices ranged from i to f per cent. The market has since been firm.

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Five years ago the council refused to cial condition of the city RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 14.—City officials

here denounce as a lie out of whole cloth the assertion that the late A. R. Woodson, city collector, was a defaulter when he died.

Pension Agent Wilson's Term Mr. Sidney L. Wilson, the United States pension agent for the District, composed of Maryland, Delaware, District of Columbia and the two Virginias, says the Baitimore Sun, will, it is said by his friends, be reappointed will, it is said by his friends, be reappointed when his term expires, on the 25th instant. He is a Republican appointed by Arthur. There are no applicants for his place, which can very well be understood. No Republican would apply to Mr. Cleveland, and no Democrat would be apt to care for a place which he could not depend upon holding for more than a few weeks. Mr. Wilson lost both terms to the term of comparisons at the large terms. legs in the war. Commissioner Black says he has made a most excellent official record. All

the widows of prominent army and navy offi-cers who receive special pensions receive their money through the agency at this city, as do all pensioners who reside outside the United Telegraphers Boycotted. An order has been made public on the Central division of the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad to the effect that all telegraph operators who belong to the Brotherhood must quit the order or quit the service of the must quit the order or quit the service of the road. There are a large number of the Brotherhood. What they will do is not known,

as the order is a surprise to them.

There are two organizations of telegraph operators—the Order of Railroad Telegraphers ad the Order of Commercial Telegraphers ne of the train dispatchers on the Chicago & rthwestern road in this city belong to either ty. The only association of the kind which numbers among its members train dispatchers of this road is the Order of Train Dispatchers. The company, however, is favorably dispose towards the latter organization.

Extra Train for Booth and Barrett. Owing to inability to supply the demand for Booths seats, Messrs, Booth and Barrett have consented to give an extra matinee on Thursday, January 17, on which occasion they will perform "dulius Casar." A special train will be run on that afternoon, provided enough tickets are sold. Tickets will be on sale tonorrow at Miller & Herbert's, 1417 Pennsylva-

AT THE HOTELS.

nia avenue.

are at Wormley's.

E. L. Bonner of Montana, relative of Robrt Bonner, will be at Chamberlin's to-night. E. C. Bliss, New York; W. F. Shaffer, New Jork, and Chester W. Clark, Boston, are at

George B. Adams, New York; J. A. Cham-ers, Pittsburg, and M. S. Smith, Detroit, are at the Arlington. the Arington.

Thomas B. Kerr, Pittsburg: F. L. Pope, iew York, and A. E. Jessup, Philadelphia, ent 'em down and make me wear 'em.

Leonard Myers, Philadelphia; W. J. Me

Clary, Wilmington; J. S. Keen, Philadelphia, are at the Riggs House. Gilbert Knight, Michigan; M. V. Prince, Brazil; J. B. Price, New York; John Eastman, Dakota; Charles B. Western, Chicago, are reg-istered at the Harris House.

J. H. Bartlett, Roanoke, Va.: Harry Gold-man, Baltimore; E. P. Blains, Lexington, Ky.; Hon. M. B. Wright, Member-elect, Susque-

COUNTY SUBDIVISIONS.

WHAT THE OWNER OF MONTELLO HAS DONE.

He Wants the Streets in the Tract in Conformity With Those in the City-Captain Symons' View of it-A Legal

The agitation in favor of extending the city streets into the country, and the new law requiring that subdivisions of land in the county be made so that the streets will be of equal width, and also in alignment with the city streets, is having considerable effect. Captain Symons states that the time

has already arrived when people consider that there is a cloud on every subdivision that does not conform to these requirements. The sale of lots is dropping off, and it is only a question of a few years when Congress will pass the bill to extend the streets of the city and then these blots on the face of the country

will be wiped out entirely.

"Here is a substantial result of the movement in favor of straight streets," said Captain Symons, pointing on the map to the Montello subdivision. "This tract contains about 100 acres and was regularly and legally sub-divided by Mr. L. C. Loomis and he has just told me that he is going to obliterate it, because t is not in alignment with the streets of Washington.

He gives as his reason for resubdividing the land that there is more or less of a cloud on subdivisions with streets in disagreement with the streets of the city, and he is going to have all his losses in the beginning; and when Congress extends the streets he will be put to no further expense.

further expense.

In discussing recent subdivisions Captain Symons said it is very bad judgment on the part of the trustees of Twining City to insist on recording their plat, because as soon as Congress provides for the extension of the streets Twining City and all other subdivisions in the same category will have to go.
"The recent law regulating subdivis-

ions has been criticised by certain members of the bar," remarked a flawyer.
"The act was passed August 27, 1888, and it was provided that the regulations of the Commissioners on the subject should go into effect thirty days after being promulgated. The thirty days expired last week, and the question arises, what shall be done with the subdivisions filed with the surveyor for record since the passage of the act, August 27, 1888, six

months ago?
"The delay on the part of the Commissioners in formulating the regulations and the thirty days required to make them operative as law, practically pro-hibited the recording of subdivisions of land for this period. It has been held by the District authorities that these subdivisions are subject to the act of August last."

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The Stock and Money Market, New York, Jan. 14.-Money 3 per cent. Exchange steady; posted rates, 486@489; actual rates, 4854@4854 for 60 days, and

Governments steady; currency, 6s, 119 bid; 4s, coupons, 1261 bid; 41s, do., 1081 The stock market opened firm, and was more

since been firm.

1 p. m. prices.—W. U., 85; N. Y. C., 108; N. J. C., 98; Mich., 88;; C. P., 36; N. P., 26; do, pfd., 60;; Ill. C., 116;; Can. Pac., 36; U. Pac., 65; Mo., 75;; Tex., 23; S. C., 53;; D. & H., 133;; D., L. & W., 142;; Frie, 28;; do, pfd., 65; K. & T., 13;; L. & N., 57; M. & E. 144;; N. W., 108;; O. & W., 15;; O. & M., 22;; P. M., 37;; Reading, 49;; R. I., 100;; O. M., 33;; do. pfd., 95; St. Paul, 65;; do. pfd., 105 N. & C., 81;; S. & W., 54; Wab., 15; do. pfd., 25;; B. & Q., 111;; P. D. & E., 34; O. & T., 31;

The Chicago Market.

CHICAGO, Jan. 14 .- Opening, 9:30 a. m.: Wheat-Jan., 961; March, 981; May, \$1.0169 Oats—May, 272. Pork—May, \$43,523. Lard—Jan., \$7.20; Feb., \$7.25; March, \$7.30; May, \$7.45. Short Ribs—Feb., \$6.90; March, \$6.95; May, \$7.05.

Miscellaneous Bonds—W. & G. R. R., 108; Masonic Hall Ass'n, 106; Wash. Market Co., 115; Inland & Seabord Co., —; Wash. Light Infantry, 1st, 95; Wash. Light Infantry, 2d, 50; Wash. Gas Light Co., 121; Wash. Gas

The Washington Stocks

Serip, 1221.

National Bank Stocks—Bank of Washington, 300: Bank of Republic, 175; Metropolitan, 200: Central, 200; Second, 146; Farmers' and Mechanics', 163; Citizens', 1252; Columbia, Railroad Stocks-Washington and Georgetown, 200; Metropolitan, 111; Columbia, 32; Cap. & North O st., 36; Anacostia, 10.

Lusurance Stocks—Firemen's, 40‡; Franklin, 41; Metropolitan, 73; National Union, 19; Arlington, 160; Corcoran, 60; Columbia, 19‡; German American, 156; Potomac, 75; Riggs, 8. Gas and Electric Light Stocks—Washington Gas, 402. Georgetown Gas, 45. U. S. Electric Telephone Stocks-Pennsylvania, -; Chesaeake & Potomac, 784.
Miscellaneous Stocks-Washington Market Co., 15: Washington Brick Machine Co., 200; National Press Brick Co., —; Great Falls Ice Co., 146; Bull Run Panorama Co, 20: Reat

Estate Title Insurance Co., 115; Columbia, Title Insurance Co., 51; National Safe Deposit Co., 200; American Graphophone Co., 14; Improving the Occasion, Little Dot-Mamma, papa was readin' in the

caper bout a catmeal mill that exploded awful in Chicago.

Manima—I—I suppose the meal was not managed carefully.

Little Dot.-1 dess so. May be they didn't put enough sugar on fi.-[Philadelphia Record.

Fruit of Experience.

Robby has been imparting to the minister the important and cheerful information that his father has got a new set of false teeth. "Indeed, Bobbie," replied the minister in-dulgently, "and what will be do with the old

To an American Girl. The ladies of Birmingham have subscribed for two splendid presents for Mrs. Chamber-One is a very rich necklace of seventy-

ee selected pearls strung on fine silk with a

Oh, I s'pose," answered Robby, "they'll

single diamond clasp. It cost \$2,000. Another rift is a diamond six-pointed star composed of first sive stones of the sheet water. These are set in silver with a gold mount and form either a brocch or a hairpin.—(N. Y. Cable. A Daring Genius. In the last act of "Cleopatra," in which Mrs. otter is now appearing, she is said to have

obeyed the text which makes Cleopatra liken the worm to a babe that suckles its nurse to

eath with a realism "remarkable even in less days of dramatic actuality." Mrs. Po' r's genius is evidently of the daring kind. Chicago Herald. Local Weather Indications, Fair: nearly stationary temperature; winds generally northerly.